REMARKS

The previous response was considered to not be fully responsive since applicants did not respond to the notification that the certified priority document has not been filed. This response is intended to supplement the previous response by addressing that point.

Applicant's previous response is incorporated into this supplemental response.

Applicant thanks the examiner for pointing out that the priority document has not been received by the PTO for this file. Applicant intends to claim priority to:

German	application 201 08 701.4	filed 05/25/2001; and
German	application 201 19 410.4	filed 11/28/2001

Applicant will file certified copies of the priority documents in due course.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to

Deposit Account No. 06-1447. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

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Respectfully submitted,

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